

# Wake Up Americans

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TO: Federal Communication Commission

SUBJECT: Article # 16-41 Restrictions on Independent Networks

In Care of: RFD-TV Network

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49 Music Square West

Nashville, Tn. 37203

Gentlemen;

I write to you with heavy heart and deep concerns. My recent past has been in the activities of addressing Congress and the Whitehouse; or the lack of concerns for our people by our "Do nothing Congress" and our breaking the laws of our Constitution; ignoring the making of laws by the President on his own; and ignoring the desires of the People", who are the government of this nation.

However, recently my health has taken a turn of which I cannot ignore. I am a Disabled Veteran of the Cold War (1950-1964) and had been subjected to radioactive exposure of all the nuclear test site explosions of every nation involved of doing so. Under AFOAT1 in those days was very extremely classified and we covered the world in obtaining samples of every test occurring. We had no special clothing or protective gear. We handled the test samples filter cloths without gloves, etc. So I have numerous medical problems and conditions that I receive treatments for thru the Veterans Administration.

So television is my primary entertainment. Direct TV supplies RFD TV Network and is my primary Channel. I cannot go anywhere in my unfavorable conditions of having diarrhea and the like. Nor can I drive in having 32 heart attacks and 16 strokes. Nor can I walk or do much else.

But, here is my point! I can see America weekly on this channel where as I cannot on any of the other 100 channels I pay for by force of clustered packages offered by cable or Satellite. I have spent hours scanning these channels for something worthwhile watching. It is mostly sales organizations selling their wares. Yes, ABC, NBC, CBS gives me local news, Democrat edited news national, and international; but Democrat CNN does its international news more thorough and Fox News does the National, International and the Political coverage I believe to be of the most honest and thorough.

However for entertainment and educational of the rural life of America, bar none, it is RFD TV! I travel many states, learn about these American people in their works, hobbies, concerns, and principles, and ways of life. I get to see their lands, their homes and towns. None of the shows are the same each week. Entertainment; live and new every week! No pornographic dancing, pictures, words, or signs just clean jokes and stories, songs and fun. The Tours of Nebraska and Texas just amaze me continually. So many remote places and the people are happy and making a living. I look forward to these shows. The tractors and implements these people have forged into their farming lives just leaves, me astounded.

To Whom It May Concern-

RE: FCC Proceeding 16-~~16~~ POCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

This letter is in strong support for rural programming and for RED-TV. It is the most important channel for all things affecting Rural America.

With the population of our planet continuing to grow - Rural America is going to be even more important in the future than it is now.

Please do not allow the major urban media companies force rural programming off the air. It is vitally important to the health of our nation. We will not survive if our country is made up solely of urbanites.

**SUPPORT RURAL PROGRAMMING!!**

Sincerely

Ronald Craig

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391 Padi Dr.

Durant, OKla 74701

John and Lattie Millage  
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San Antonio, Texas 78240-1606  
(210) 696-0979

March 24, 2016

Dear FCC,

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Case # 16-41 (FCC Proceedings Number)  
My husband and I, (91 and 86 years  
old) look forward each week to many  
programs on RFDTV via satellite  
DirectTV. Please do not drop <sup>this</sup> channel!

(ch 345)

It is such a relief to watch whole-  
some, real life educational programs.  
Since there is so much depressing  
crime and other negative "stuff" on  
main stations.

Programs teaching things that  
enable us to understand and  
live healthy lives, mentally and  
physically, are very important!

We also enjoy seeing other folks  
enjoying happy times, Polka Time,  
Molly Q! And seeing young people take  
care of animals, wisely and tenderly.  
lets us know there is still hope!

God help us to continue finding  
joy and wisdom on RFDTV.  
Don't let the "big guys" get control!

Sincerely, Lattie and  
John Millage

Carrier: Centurylink  
Dish

March 25, 2016

Dear FCC,

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I am a Dish subscriber and am enjoying the RFD channel. About a year ago, I downsized my channel package to save some money because I became a widower. I did drop the movie channels and other ones. At the last minute I happened to think about the possibility of losing RFD, which I would have. I picked up the Heartland Package and was able to keep RFD. If RFD was ever dropped, I would then change to Antenna TV, which would be much cheaper, and is not lost in bad weather.

I want to thank RFD-TV for the wholesome shows like Larry's Country Diner Mollie B & the like Music shows.

I think it should be illegal for Providers to drop channels and not adjust prices!

They are breaking thier contracts.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Walter Smietanski  
W5093 N Oakhaven Cir.  
Wautoma, WI 54982-5837  
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R. F. D. T V

Sorry to hear we have  
to battle to keep T. V. going. If  
that goes out I do not need  
a T. V. That is all I watch.  
I have lost my husband and both  
retired farmers. We get animal  
markets, sports, Old Country music  
show & ect. I sure hope this  
helps to keep this station.  
What's wrong with this country.  
I am praying that this station  
stays on.

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an all time watcher!  
Carol Elmer  
Evansville, Wis.



"America needs quality programs to  
Continue"

Linda Graff  
W 2340 Center Road

Markesan, Wi 53946

Phone 920-229-7367

Dear FCC

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16-41

My husband and myself are avid  
listeners of RFD TV. We listen to  
their channel of Direct TV.

It's time to "wake-up America"  
to the decent programming that's  
available. Our next generation needs  
all the help they can get to make  
them aware of where the food and fiber  
comes from.

My three grandchildren are in 4-H  
and officers in PFA. 14-16-18 attend  
the local, state and national conventions  
to help others be aware of the rural life.  
Many changes are taking place. The root of  
it all is we must stress the importance  
of who provides the wonderful products  
and where they come from.

Keep the quality of programming on the air.

Sincerely,

Linda Graff

Frederick Mann

N 7792 Reed St.

DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL  
Indianapolis, IN 46201  
920-748-3428

Dear FCC 16-41~

I'm writing this note for my 98 year old father. In our conversation on the phone this morning, I told him about the possibility of RFD TV being taken off the air.

His response was "By God you better write two letters and wake those people up."

So for our sake and many others this note is coming your way for people of all ages. Keep RFD TV on the air. (He listens on DISH.)

Thanks again,

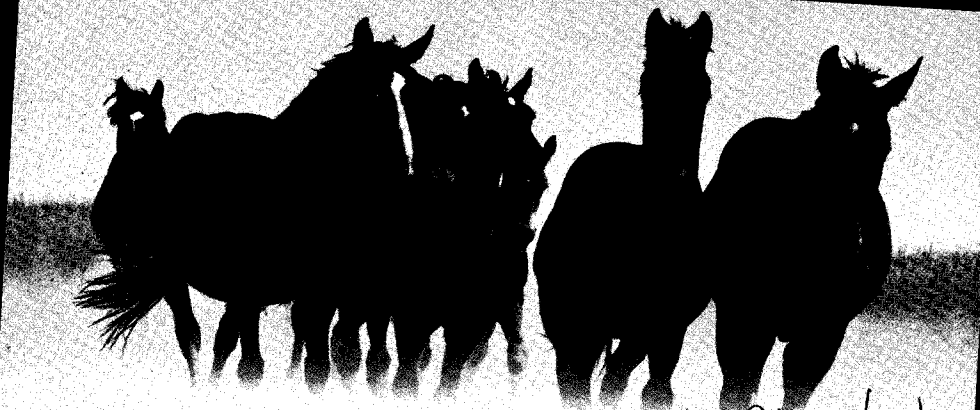
Frederick Mann

Please, Please do not take our  
independent TV off. They are at the  
very least 50% of our watching.  
Do not let the cable TV's drop  
them.

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Mr + Mrs Virgil Huguenard  
440 Eastern Dr  
New Haven, Ct 06511





FCC

Louis Christopher  
124 W 4th Apt 5  
Stanley, WI 54768

RFD-TV IS needed

by many Seniors. Programs  
are informative - Beautiful  
Country to enjoy from the  
Comfort of home. Louis is  
81 this year he can't write, so  
I am writing this for him.  
We subscribe to Dish Heartland -  
If he does not get ~~RFD~~ - we don't  
Need Dish, I also subscribe to  
Dish. RFD is Quality TV.  
All other Channels are so violent,  
Sexual. NO beauty - Comedy None  
you can laugh at. The American &  
all Rodeos - Cattle Louis loves the  
Auctions Louis Christopher

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Donna Urbanek  
28760 County Highway X  
Cashton, WI 54619-7204

FCC 1641

I am 78 years  
old and enjoy very  
much this Channel.

I was very upset about  
you taking it off the air!  
PTD TV has wonderful  
shows (Music) which I  
love & all this Country  
things & horses

I need shows like  
this, I watch it many  
nights.

So keep it on!  
Murder shows & sex  
we don't need!

Donna Urbanek  
A Country girl!

3-24-16  
Forest, MS 39074

My Grandchildren Are Great Rodeo Fans,  
They Are Members of Little Britches Rodeo,  
we Watch the horse shows Regionally.  
Please Keep RFD on the TV.

There are so many Farm and Agriculture  
shows that we enjoy - we are with  
Directv. We were very disappointed  
with the loss of the Weather Channel.  
If RFD TV is dropped we will put up  
the old Antenna and save that monthly  
bill from Directv.

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Sincerely,  
Linda Gibbs

Direct TV

3/21/2016

RFD TV

to FCC 164 JACKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

please Keep RFD on my Dish  
Satellite

I am a Country Girl. I grew up  
riding horses after cows, in parades  
Singing and playin Blue Grass  
Country music Gospel. I like to  
see the farming and old tractors  
RFD is a good wholesome TV Channel  
and if you can do anything to  
Put Blue Highway TV back  
the way it used to be, it will  
be appreciated, I paid for this

Sincerely  
Nettie Romaker

3/21/16

Dear Sir,

I am writing to ask you not to discontinue  
The R.F.D. Channel.

I am 79 years old and I have enjoyed  
country music since I was a small child.

I stopped watching CMA years ago. I do  
not like the kind of music they have now.  
To me it is not country.

I watch all the country music shows on  
R.F.D. I like Molly B Polka and many others.

I grew up on a farm in Northern N.Y.  
I know how important it is for the  
farmers to keep up with the farm news.  
Where would we be without the farmers.

There is a lot on T.V. that I won't watch.  
I checked the CMT Channel tonight. It had  
Broken Skull Challenge and Happy Gilmore.  
What's country about that.

I like to watch the westerns on the  
Inspiration Channel.

Please don't take the R.F.D Channel  
away from us. It's good clean T.V.

Thank you

Frances Pomeroy



Mrs Frances I Pomeroy  
6406 Sun Country Dr  
New Prt Rchy, FL 34653

Dear FCC

I just want to pledge  
our support for RFDTV.

We are elderly & this

TV station means so much

to us - we would miss

it terribly if it was off

the air,

Please keep it on!

Mary Shaw & Estel Vernon

FCC 1640

I feel that cutting RFD  
From the station. When  
Politics aren't on we watch it  
More than any other channels.

We would appreciate it if  
you would just leave it alone  
we need Markets Music and  
Farm News. JACKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

It is important to keep  
basic channels on. ~~don't~~

I'm tired of super Natural  
Prog where the eyes spark roll  
& have murder bad things  
and sex crap. And our lives  
are filled with Murder & harm  
We need to encourage labor &  
Good things





3-21-16

To Whome it may Concern  
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I am a 72 year old farmer  
in rural Ar. That watches  
RFD 75% of the time  
the TV is on. Please  
continue to make RFD  
available. Thanks Jim Young  
2700 plum  
Osaak, Ar. 72949

For membership information:  
1-800-793-0010 • membership@air-evac.com • www.lifeteam.net



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March 19, 2016

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Dear FCC

I am very concerned  
about our RFD TV  
Channels being took off  
the air. Processing #1641.  
We believe this Channel  
is a very important  
and information than  
any other Channel about  
Farming & the best Music  
Channel especially the  
Great Western Music  
The Older Good Western  
on Saturdays & Mollie B.  
Dance Program. This  
program is very important  
to our Children & Adults  
as well, And Education to  
all. We can all learn from  
about knowing & learning  
of where our food comes  
from!! Our Farmers - over

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"Farmer Work Day & Night  
to Feed The World!"

I believe this is very  
Important to me & my  
Family. Every one in  
this "Great United States of  
America." Thank You!

Eva Brandt

I am on Direct TV  
(Satellite) my address

P.O. Box 23

Neola, Utah,

84053

P.S. Railroads, Roads, programs  
About our world I love to  
watch

Also Edward Brandt

Neola, Utah 84053

(Direct TV Satellite)

Viewer

Dear FCC,

I had ~~seen~~ <sup>POCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL</sup> ~~seen~~ was  
well in farming and they  
relied on TV and radio  
programming to keep them  
off the crops and growing  
season. Please keep on  
fighting!

Mrs. Helen Schultz  
81 C.F.J. Blvd.  
Johnson City, N.Y.  
13790

RFD

I live Alone  
and enjoy RFD  
so much. Please  
keep it going.

Thanks  
Fern  
Knudsen

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FCC Dept.

I am writing to  
inform you of my support  
for RFD TV.

This station lacks  
the violence of so many  
others.

I enjoy the music  
programs on a daily  
basis. I do find the  
farm report, rides +  
rural news, very  
informative.

Please do not remove  
RFD from the airways.  
Kathleen Langanka

Judy Christopher  
Hoo Grant apt 6  
Stanley, WI  
54768

RPD TV IS  
Quality TV!

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We Need This  
Great Station. You  
Watch it and see  
what you  
don't know!

Judy

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Gentlemen:

Please don't  
stop the RFD T.V.  
We enjoy the  
program much.  
They have good  
thoughts, good lessons  
and wonderful history.

We are 83 and 87  
years of age.

Sincerely

Mr & Mrs. Altan

J. Cain